



# WHITEMAN SPIRIT



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## 9-Line Target



**Congrats to our new Tech. and Master Sergeants!**

## Red Carpet Rollout

**This week Whiteman welcomes ...**

**Michael Montelongo**

Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Finaner

**Col. Pamela Melroy**

NASA space shuttle pilot

## News in Brief

### PRP requirements posted

Members who fall under the personnel reliability program are required to report to the 509th Medical Group PRP office before to proceeding to any scheduled clinic appointment. For more details, call 687-4299.

### JAG warns of possible identity theft

People who receive offers of free merchandise or services for military members should be checked with the Better Business Bureau before applying. Such offers requesting social security numbers, copies of military ID cards, activation or deployment orders should not be furnished especially when applying online or by fax. For more details, call the legal office at 687-6809.

### Commissary closed July 4

The commissary will be closed July 4 in observance of Independence Day. It reopens 9 a.m. July 5. For more details, call 687-5655.

### Claims notice announced

Col. Doug Raaberg, 509th Bomb Wing commander, regretfully announces the death of Staff Sgt. Kent Backes, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to Backes, estate should contact 2nd Lt. Ed Justino, 509th Munitions Squadron summary courts official, at 687-7704.

## Weather

### Saturday

Partly cloudy

H 86 °

L 63 °

### Sunday

Mostly cloudy

H 85 °

L 65 °



Photo by Airman 1st Class Joe Lacdan

## Good boy!

Kevin, 509th Security Forces Squadron military working dog, locates a mock bomb in the community center as Staff Sgt. Jake Bolton, Kevin's handler, holds the two-year-old dog's leash. The 509th SFS conducted detection dog training Wednesday.

## Password security key to COMPUSEC

**By Airman 1st Class Nick Martin**

Public Affairs

Many Whiteman members received an e-mail from "Capt. Paul Sandhu" June 20, asking them to verify their network password against a Website to ensure it met password construction requirements.

Unfortunately, the e-mail was bogus. Despite the local phone number given for questions, there is no Paul Sandhu on Whiteman.

Col. Doug Raaberg, 509th Bomb Wing commander, implemented Information Condition Charlie due to a person hacking into the Whiteman Intranet. The Air Force Office of Special Investigations was notified and apprehended the hacker. It was subsequently determined the system was hacked into as part of an Air Force Information Warfare Center Operation.

The AFIWCO conducted the test to assess the vulnerability level of Whiteman's network. "This was an exercise to see if we could recognize the threats to our network security, and respond appropriately," said 2nd Lt. Robert Turpin, 509th Communications Squadron.

"The people that would try to perpetrate an actual scam like this are looking to collect password information. The passwords could be used to jeopardize our information security," said Senior Airman Kristeena Gonzalez, 509th Bomb Wing public affairs information manager.

To ensure the network would not be compromised, the base network staff and work group managers quickly sent word across Whiteman not to follow the instructions in "Sandhu's" message.

"The user manager's program is set to reject any password that doesn't meet the password requirement criteria," said Gonzalez. "We will never ask any network user to give their password over the phone or through e-mail or the Internet."

However, if the network was compromised by a user following a fraudulent request, the WGMs are trained to disconnect the local area network cable from the user's

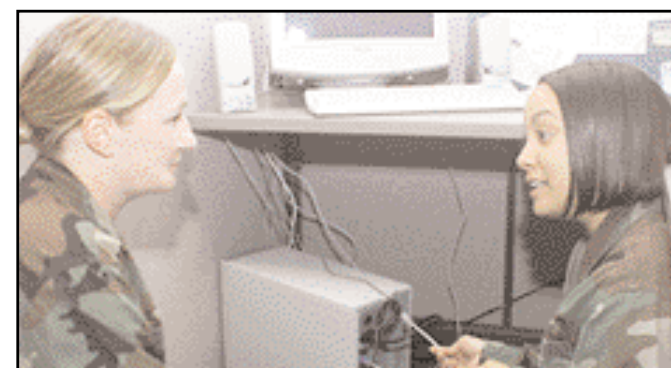


Photo by Airman 1st Class Nick Martin

**Senior Airman Kristeena Gonzalez (right) demonstrates the importance of disconnecting the local area network to 2nd Lt. Kat Ohlmeyer.**

computer to isolate it, she said.

"Your password is the key to our information systems," said Maj Clayton Perce, 509th CS commander. "That information is critical to our warfighting ability, so the keys must be protected."

"An incident like this reinforces the importance of information security and computer security. The easiest way to accomplish this is to protect your password," said Gonzalez. "Never share your password with others before going on leave or temporary duty. If you need to share information with others, ask your WGM to set up shared access. The WGMs know how to ensure people can access information and folders they are supposed to, while protecting the network from unauthorized access."

"A scam like this can happen at any time," said Gonzalez. "It takes diligence to protect our assets and information. COMPUSEC is everyone's responsibility."

Information operations like this are almost a daily event. Every network user is our first line of defense against intruders. If you see something suspicious, call the network help desk immediately at 687-5666.



# Commander's Corner

By Col. Ned Schoeck

509th Bomb Wing Vice Commander

**MOVING UP.** Thursday was a great day for 119 of Whiteman's finest, with the release of the latest promotion list for Tech. Sgt. and Master Sgt. Congratulations to all the sharp airmen who will be taking on increased responsibilities — make sure you give them a pat on the back!



**AIRMEN'S BASH.** Our Airman's Council, Top 3, Chapel and Services Squadron got the summer off to a great start for 250 of our airmen with a day of fun and food June 20 at the dormitory quad. My thanks to all the fine organizations on our base who work hard to take care of our people!

**OPSEC/COMSEC TEST!** Last week we were tested by the 92nd Information Warfare Aggressor Squadron to see how well we protect our computer network. The good news is the team was unable to crack our network from the outside. The not so good news is that some of our people were tricked into giving out their password. YOU are our first line of defense against unauthorized access to our network. We can't afford to give away the keys. Now is a good time to go over computer security with your information managers. The evaluation team will be back in a few months to see how we're doing.

**WHITEMAN WELCOME!** To Lt. Col. Jeff Vinger

and his wife, Rhonda, as they settle in to take charge of the 509th Civil Engineer Squadron. Lt. Col. Vinger assumed command last week, replacing Lt. Col. Rodney Croslen, who is headed off to Air War College at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. All the best to him and Nina with the new assignment. We also welcome Lt. Col. Casey Hughson and his wife, Emily, to the Maintenance Group, where Lt. Col. Hughson replaces Lt. Col. Dennis Shumaker as the Deputy Maintenance Group Commander. Lt. Col. Shumaker is headed off to Air War College, and we wish him and Priscilla good luck during the upcoming school year.

**OUT OF THIS WORLD.** Thursday's Base Community Council dinner featured astronaut and Col. Pamela Melroy, who shared some of her experiences as a NASA shuttle pilot. Col. Melroy also took time to visit with some of our maintainers and learn about another great plane — the B-2. Thanks to the Base Community Council, Lt. Col. Gavin Ketchen and Capt. Jennifer Wilson, 393rd Bomb Squadron, for organizing her visit.

**PLAN AHEAD.** Many of you have plans for the 4th of July weekend. Do you know how you will get home from the parties? Yet another airman was arrested for drinking and driving last week. He and his buddy planned a great fishing trip — but didn't plan how to get home after having a few beers and ended up in jail. When planning the fun, don't forget to include the details that will get you home safely. I encourage every one of you to make a designated driver plan — and stick to it! Your life and career could depend on it. Have a great — and safe — weekend.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Nick Martin

**Sandi Winton, Dianne Maness, Ken Taylor and Mike Orrison, 509th Services Squadron members, sort some of the prizes for the Independence Day celebration. The 509th SVS has put together a variety of activities on base to help Team Whiteman members and their loved ones have a safe and enjoyable Fourth of July.**

## Supervisors urged to 'teach 'em to fish'

By Col. Gary Finchum

509th Mission Support Group commander

Remember the saying, "Give a man a fish and you'll feed him a meal; teach him how to fish and you'll feed him for a lifetime." This saying applies in so many areas of life, from raising children, and handicrafts, to nearly everything we teach. A former wing commander of mine taught me that it's also the fundamental building block of effective mentoring in our Air Force.

There are so many times we're too quick to tell people what to do and don't take time to explain the reason behind the direction. In other words, we hand them a fish instead of teaching them how to fish. We don't need to "hand things on a plate" to our people. We need to mentor our people by showing them how and why we do things.

Why? Remember a supervisor is judged by the results of others. A supervisor alone is responsible for everything their team does or fails to do. So, a great measure of your success, as a supervisor, is determined by how well you make yourself understood by the people you supervise. To be a good



Photo by Master Sgt. Mike Nixon

**Master Sgt. Rob Urie and Staff Sgt. Crystal Helig visit with Col. Gary Finchum, 509th Mission Support Group commander, after he received a tour of the base's instrument landing system localizer. Urie was on temporary duty here from the 82nd Communications Squadron at Langley Air Force Base, Va. Helig is assigned to the 509th CS.**

supervisor, you must be a good teacher. Your team must be molded into a unit geared to accomplish the goals you set.

It's about developing character —

thoughts lead to words, words lead to actions, actions lead to habits and habits make character ... the basis for strong leadership. Though it's often difficult, we

need to attempt to put our "day-to-day rush" on temporary hold, and explain the rationale, process and desired effect of your action to them. You don't just tell them it's so, but you show them reasons why it's so, and you repeat and repeat until they're convinced — until they know.

Concentrate on the "whys." By doing so, you've just helped someone who can hopefully repeat the process, and eventually instruct others as well — multiplying the time and effect you had on this one person to help many more. Never forget you're training your replacement and you want to make sure they're ready to take on the responsibilities.

Consider is when you draft your next performance report, convey policies at your shop, flight, squadron or division meeting or as you work through the mechanics of your next project, you organize and lead a team through a process. The more you teach others versus simply directing them — the better off they and the Air Force will be in the long term. In other words, "don't just feed 'em, teach 'em how to fish" so they can feed themselves and others.

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# New stripes for 119 at Whiteman

**RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFPN)** — Air Force officials have selected 4,832 of 18,903 eligible technical sergeants for promotion to master sergeant, a 25.56 percent selection rate, and 7,116 of 32,501 eligible staff sergeants for promotion to technical sergeant, a 21.89 percent selection rate.

At Whiteman, 48 of 202 eligible staff sergeants were selected, a 23.76 percent selection rate; and 71 of 317 eligible technical sergeants were selected, a 22.39 percent selection rate.

A higher retention rate — opening fewer vacancies for each rank — was one reason promotion rates are lower than last year, Air Force Personnel Center officials here said.

The final tally will increase as tests are received and scored for deployed airmen, said officials. They have 30 to 60 days after they return to test.

“People who have been deployed will be allowed to test when they return, and we’ll automatically consider them for promotion. We do this on a monthly basis until everyone is considered,” said Chief Master Sgt. Mark Billingsley, enlisted promotions branch chief here.

The master sergeant selection rate dropped 7.67 percent from last year, while this year’s technical sergeant rate fell 11.62 percent from last year.

“Overall, we are seeing tech and master sergeant promotion rates drop down to about where we suggested as we reach the goal of increasing the ‘top five’ enlisted grades from

48 to 56 percent (of the enlisted force),” said Billingsley. “It’s important to keep this in perspective — these are the fifth-highest rates of the last 20 years. That’s pretty remarkable and should encourage people that the next stripe is still well within reach.”

Air Force officials will post a complete list of selectees on the AFPC’s Web page, <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/eprom/>, by 6 p.m. today.

People who tested can expect their score notices in early July, allowing them to see just how their promotion fitness examination and specialty knowledge test scores rank against others within their Air Force specialty code. People can also get an electronic copy of their score notice by logging into the virtual military personnel flight at <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil>.

## Technical sergeant selectees

**509th Bomb Wing:** Karen Foster, Keith Kelchen and Mary Moten

**509th Comptroller Squadron:** Andrea Warren and Michelle Mahurin

**509th Operations Group:** Erin Tecce

**393rd Bomb Squadron:** Brett Bateman and David Wiss

**509th Operations Support Squadron:** Trenton Fielder, Lomond Johnson, Mark McCrady, Michael Sewell, Theodore Tedford and Darwin Korson

**509th Mission Support Squadron:** Danny Poling and Anthony Witak

**509th Services Squadron:** Kevin Green-sage

**509th Civil Engineering Squadron:** Brad Barnes and Jeremy Harmon

**509th Communications Squadron:** Reginald Chandler, Michael Gaddis, Shane Hagemeyer and Luther Sanders

**509th Logistics Readiness Squadron:** Richard Barker, Bryon Curry Bryon, Neil Heerdink, Dwyane Morrison and Misti Rude

**509th Security Forces Squadron:** Eric Dofflemeyer, Caddell Ferrell, Chad Glazier, Gregory Lund, Samuel Miller, Michael Mugler and Timothy Blair

**509th Maintenance Group:** Loren Cheney, Gary Hutchinson and Jason Sells

**509th Maintenance Squadron:** Debra Brinzow, Douglas Clifton, Scott Delamater, Michael Heustis, Edward McCann, Larry Myers, David Seals, Craig Smith, Cameron St. Amand and Paul Treece

**509th Maintenance Operations Squadron:** Monty Goins and Dione Odom

**509th Munitions Squadron:** Michael Beck, Jeffrey Grimes, Robert Kerner, Jeffrey Klein and John Rubin

**509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron:** Benjamin Anderson, Alan Butler, Mark Jansen, John Malkey, Jason Manning, Michael Radenheimer, Joseph Ross, and Glen Sasek

**509th Medical Group:** Mark Miller

**509th Medical Operations Squadron:** Lawrence Billings, Matthew Normand and Marisol Pacheco

**509th Medical Support Squadron:** Peter Ross, Nathaniel Warren

**Detachment 280, Air Force ROTC:** Tim-

othy Himes

**Det. 6, 372nd Training Squadron:** Vincent Mariani

## Master sergeant selectees

**509th BW:** Pedro Canabal, Marcus Oglesby, Keith Sanders and Peter Mere

**509th CES:** Charles Hoskins, Eric Kennedy and Arthur Roy

**509th CS:** Mark Olive Mark

**509th LRS:** William McCracken and Gary Schnur

**509th MSS:** Darla Rush

**509th SFS:** Angela Catchings, Thomas Crowson, Mike Morin, Timothy Rowe

Steven Scott and Scott Peterson

**509th SVS:** Gary James

**509th MXG:** Joseph Eccleton, Jeffrey Nelson, James Oldeen and Ronald Schmick

**509th MXS:** Steven Burmester, Karin Clark, Leroy Foster, Michael Jones, Steven

Lacapruia, David Maxwell, Daniel McK-

night, Timothy Perkins, Michael Pierce,

Alexander Pina, Brian Tallberg and Brian

Tobin

**509th MOS:** Michael Walbom

**509th MUNS:** Arthur Chesley, Scott

Simpson and Blaise Vallejo

**509th AMXS:** Craig Barylski, Donald

Goodman, Daryl Harris and Darren McCrory

**509th OSS:** Gerald Crowley James Gra-

ham and David Schnorenberg

**509th MDOS:** Mauree Powell and Allen

Sedwick

**Air Force Element, Army Command**

**and General Staff College:** Terry Blansett

# Whiteman welcomes new squadron commanders



Photos by Staff Sgt. Steve Nabor

**Name:** Maj. Chase McCown

**Squadron:** 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron

**Date assumed command:** June 11

**Previous assignment:** 354th Fighter Squadron squadron maintenance officer, Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz.

**Time in service:** 12 years

**Commissioning source:** U.S. Air Force Academy

**Family:** Wife, Lisa; and sons, Garrett and Riley

**Hobbies:** Running, cycling and triathlon

**Why is the squadron important to the Air Force mission:** The men and women of the 509th AMXS are responsible for all flightline maintenance and management of America’s premiere weapons system, the B-2 Spirit.

**Command philosophy:** I’m here to serve and lead the members of this squadron and to take care of their families. If I do that well, then they will ensure mission success.

**Goals for new position:** To keep this unit postured and ready when the nation calls again for combat air power.



**Name:** Lt. Col. Jeffery Vinger

**Squadron:** 509th Civil Engineer Squadron

**Date assumed command:** June 20

**Previous assignment:** Air Force Space Command Headquarters chief housing division, Peterson Air Force Base, Colo.

**Time in service:** 17-plus years

**Commissioning source:** Air Force ROTC at the University of Missouri - Columbia

**Family:** Wife, Rhonda, and son, Nicholas

**Hobbies:** Collecting antique tools, woodworking, sports and micro-brewing

**Why is the squadron important to the Air Force mission:** The 509th’s civil engineers are professional warriors fully committed to “kicking down the doors” to provide world-class emergency services for protecting and providing the highest quality facilities for working, living and playing at Whiteman, while, at the same time, supporting worldwide contingency operations for the projection of aerospace power.

**Command philosophy:** Take care of the people who take care of the mission. I want to spend the majority of my time working issues impacting my people so they can spend all their time ensuring the success of the 509th Bomb Wing’s mission. “People first — Mission always!”

**Goals for new position:** Maximize the 509th BW’s mission success by providing the most efficient, safe, pleasant, and professional working and living surroundings through premier emergency services, continued modernization and environmental leadership.



**Name:** Maj. Bruce Bartholomew

**Squadron:** 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron

**Date assumed command:** June 11

**Previous assignment:** 509th LRS operations officer

**Time in service:** 15 years

**Commissioning source:** Officer Training School

**Family:** Wife, Christine; son, Joshua; daughters, Cassie, Tara and Lucy

**Hobbies:** Woodworking, camping, reading and computers

**Why is the squadron important to the Air Force mission:** The 509th LRS provides essential commodities and services to make the Air Force expeditionary. We provide commodities like jet and ground fuel from our fuels management flight, supplies from our distribution management and systems flights, vehicles from our vehicle management flight, personnel travel and household goods shipments from our traffic management flight and deployment processing from our Readiness flight. Without the 509th LRS, it doesn’t move on or off Whiteman.

**Command philosophy:** I want to stress a balance between work, family, education, spiritual development, community service and recreation. When we place too much emphasis on one of these areas, we dilute the effectiveness of the others, it’s important we make time for each area.

**Goals for new position:** In order to exceed today’s expeditionary requirements, we can achieve greater effectiveness through process improvement, training and experience. Through a dedicated effort to improve our skills and our service to our customers. I want to achieve recognition as the best logistics team in the Air Force by winning the Air Force Association’s Gen. Thomas P. Gerry Logistics Award.



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# 509th SFS joins campaign enforcing zero tolerance

By Master Sgt. Mark Kinner

509th Security Forces Squadron

With more people expected to travel on America's highways during the long July 4th weekend, this week could be one of the deadliest periods ever for impaired driving fatalities. To protect Whiteman's families during this holiday period, the 509th Security Forces Squadron will support Knob Noster and Johnson County efforts to protect citizens from impaired drivers.

As part of the "You Drink & Drive. You Lose." national crackdown, the 509th SFS is working to protect everyone from impaired drivers during this busy time of the year. Beginning today and running through July 13, local and state officials will be out conducting sobriety checkpoints and saturation patrols throughout Missouri to arrest and prosecute these criminals to the fullest extent of the law.

After years of gradual improvement, fatalities in alcohol-related crashes are on the rise nationally. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that in 2001, 17,448 people were killed in alcohol-related crashes, representing 41 percent of the 42,116 people killed in all traffic accidents. In 2002, 17,970 people were killed in alcohol-related crashes, representing approximately 42 percent of the 42,850 total traffic fatalities.

"There will be no warnings," said Col. Gary Finchum, 509th Mission Support Group commander. "The message is clear — 'You Drink & Drive. You Lose.' Violators can lose their licenses, time from their jobs, and lose money in high fines and court costs as well as possibly face imprisonment for repeat offenses, assault and manslaughter. People who refuse a blood alcohol concentration test can lose their licenses on the spot and have their vehicle impounded. They'll be spending their money on bail, court, lawyer and towing fees instead of on their summer vacation."

To help raise awareness about the campaign, Congress provided the NHTSA \$11 million to produce and place national advertisements in English and Spanish to coincide with the crack-



Photo by Airman 1st Class Joe Lacdan

**Staff Sgt. Michael Hensley, 509th Security Forces Squadron, initiates a mock breathalyzer test on Julie Arreola of Warrensburg.**

down. The ads began running June 20 on national networks and programs primarily viewed by 18- to 34 year-old males, which research shows are the demographic most likely to drive impaired. The ads focus on what research shows affects behavior change among this group — increased threat of arrest and of losing their car, license and money. This is the first time the crackdown will be supported by a national advertising effort.

Studies by NHTSA show the majority of Americans support these types of efforts to protect their communities from impaired drivers. Americans consider impaired driving one of the nation's most important social issues, ahead of healthcare, poverty, hunger, racism and education. Nearly 97 percent of Americans view drunk driving as a threat to the community, according to statistical research. As a result, the majority of Americans support increased use of enforcement

efforts like saturation patrols and sobriety checkpoints to arrest violators. Furthermore, three-fourths of Americans also endorse the use of stricter and more severe penalties against impaired drivers.

Col. Doug Raaberg, 509th Bomb Wing commander, reminds Team Whiteman to plan ahead. "Use a designated driver or call Airmen Against Drunk Driving at 687-7433 to ensure your safety and the safety of others," said Raaberg. "Be responsible to yourself and don't risk the consequences of driving after drinking — we depend on you to carry out that mission."

The "You Drink & Drive. You Lose." campaign, launched in December 1999, is a comprehensive impaired driving prevention effort focused on highly visible criminal justice-related efforts to deter impaired driving and is designed for use by states and communities to save lives.

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# Whiteman Spirit Award



## Senior Airman Daisy Freese

509th Logistics Readiness Squadron

Senior Airman Daisy Freese, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron, received the Whiteman Spirit Award from Col. Doug Raaberg, 509th Bomb Wing commander, June 20. Second Lt. Jaylene Sanchez, 509th LRS, nominated Freese for this award.

Sanchez said the airman took on the challenge of load planning, ordering trucks and getting cost estimates for the mission employment exercise to Nellis Air Force Base, Nev., within a week’s notice.

“This type of tasking is normally handled by a more seasoned NCO, because of all the details, coordination and financial responsibilities involved,” the lieutenant said. “There’s usually a month of planning time for this request.”

As a result, Freese ensured eight trucks were loaded safely and departed the base on time to meet an advance team that was deploying to Nellis. She also saved the government \$3,112, allowing those funds to be used for other resources.

“Senior Airman Freese is an outstanding airman who displayed the true meaning of professionalism,” Sanchez said. “Her impeccable performance is well deserving of the Whiteman Spirit Award.”

## Personally speaking

**Duty Title:** Outbound cargo floor manager  
**Time on station:** 3 years  
**Time in service:** 3 years and 5 months  
**Hometown:** Early, Iowa  
**Spouse:** Jason  
**Children:** Chance, 7, and Kellan, 5  
**Hobbies:** Any sport.  
**Goals:** To make staff sergeant and get my associate’s degree.  
**Best thing about Whiteman:** There is less snow in the winter than Iowa and the people are very friendly.  
**Pet Peeves:** When people assume things instead of knowing.  
**What motivates your winning spirit?** My co-workers, my supervisors and my dad.  
**If you could change one thing about Whiteman, what would it be?** Have a bigger base exchange and commissary.

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# 1st Sergeant's View

*(Editor's note: The 1st Sergeant's View gives Whiteman first sergeants a chance to remind people of correct uniform wear, customs and courtesies, and proper military decorum. Each week, a different first sergeant will share their view.)*

"There is no difference between living in the dorms, or base housing, or off-base housing," said Senior Master Sgt. Jerry Hanes, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron first sergeant. "No matter where you live, you set the example and the perception to the American public of the Air Force. Our second core value states it clearly, 'Excellence in all we do.' The word 'all' encompasses whether you live on or off base," said Hanes. Have you ever driven past a home and noticed a yard that looks like a wheat field? Have you ever seen papers stacked at the end of the driveway that were rained on, and then baked in the sun because the occupant didn't pick them up? Each one of those is an infraction

in the base housing booklet. Other infractions include, lawns not cut, branches not picked up, trimming not done and trash in the yard. If you live on Whiteman, the base housing booklet states lawns will be mowed, trimmed and raked. The grass won't exceed three inches in height. All trash will be removed including old base newspapers." He suggests people going on leave or temporary duty should find someone to care for their lawns. People who live on base should stop by the housing office and fill out a yard vacation letter. "This will give them a contact if someone isn't doing a good job of caring for your lawn, he said. If you live off the base, the same rules apply with the care of your lawn. Remember, the example you set reflects on all of us in the military. The next time you do a roll call or brief troops on their responsibilities, remember when it comes to where you live in the military, it does not matter. Everyone in the military has standards to live by."



Photo by Staff Sgt. Francesca Popp

Senior Master Sgt. Jerry Hanes talks with Staff Sgt. Michael Degering, 509th Logistic Readiness Squadron about base housing responsibilities.

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# Airmen's Bash kicks off summer with music, food, fun



Diana Cree, Ozark Inn clerk, checks the meal card of Airman Kristina Boling, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron. The Airmen's Bash gave senior airmen and below an opportunity to meet their peers and have fun.



Photos by Airman 1st Class Joe Lacdan

Airmen 1st Class Rachel Thompson, 509th Maintenance Squadron, Scott Lloyd, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Travis Simpson, 509th Munitions Squadron, Chris Blanton, 509th AMXS, and Josh Oloff, 509th AMXS, eat food provided by the 509th Services Squadron at the Airmen's Bash. More than 250 airmen attended the event June 20, which was sponsored by the Airmen's Council, the base chaplains, Whiteman Top 3 and the 509th Services Squadron. The chaplains and Top 3 provided funds for the airmen who were not on meal cards.



Airman 1st Class Chad Schumpert, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, catches a softball in the Quad area.



"Linch Pin," a band comprised of enlisted Air Force members, performs in the Quad at the Airmen's Bash. Senior Airman Katty Beuttenmuller, Airman's Council vice president, said the event helped promote using the Quad, a picnic area located between Discovery and Challenger halls. Linch pin members pictured are: Staff Sgt. Marty Johnson, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron, Staff Sgt. Don Von Dach, 509th Operations Group, and Staff Sgt. Jeff Huntley, Detachment 6, 372nd Training Squadron.



Whiteman's first sergeants flip burgers at the Airmen's Bash. Pictured are: Senior Master Sgt. Mark Clark, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, Master Sgt. Diane Craney, 509th Munitions Squadron, Senior Master Sgt. Jerry Hanes, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron and Master Sgt. Gary Bolton, 509th Maintenance Squadron. Approximately 200 burgers, 150 bratwurst and 150 chicken sandwiches were served.

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**(Editor's note: This is an annual report on the quality of water delivered by Whiteman Air Force Base. There were no contaminant level, monitoring or treatment technique violations for this reporting period. Under the Consumer Confidence Reporting Rule of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act, community water systems are required to report this water quality information to the consuming public. Presented in this report is information on the source of Whiteman AFB water, its constituents and the health risks associated with any contaminants.)**

The verdict is in. Whiteman's drinking water was declared safe to drink by the Environmental Protection Agency.

The drinking water comes from the Whiteman water treatment plant operated by 509th Civil Engineer Squadron. The system has been assigned the identification number MO 1079501. The plant treats water from the Ozark Aquifer pumped from wells located on base. The water is filtered and treated with chlorine to disinfect the water. These wells have been tested and the results are available from the 509th Medical Operations Squadron Bioenvironmental Engineering Element. Anyone who would like to observe the decision-making processes affecting the drinking water quality or who has questions, can call the water plant at 687-1984.

The sources of drinking water, both tap water and bottled water, include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs,

springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- ✓ Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

- ✓ Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.

- ✓ Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.

- ✓ Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff and septic systems.

- ✓ Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain

contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 800-426-4791.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as those with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, people who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA and Center for Disease Control guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 800-426-4791.

Direct questions to 1st Lt. Michael Horenziak or Staff Sgt. Timonhy Houey, 509th Medical Operations Squadron Bioenvironmental Engineering Element, at 687-4324.

## Table of Detected Contaminants

Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Units	Level Found	Range	Violation	Sample Date	Typical Source of Contamination
<b>Microbial</b> Total Coliform	0	≤5	% Positive samples	0%	N/A	No	weekly	Naturally present in the environment
Turbidity	N/A	TT	NTU	0.047	.0 - 0.20	No	12x daily	Soil Runoff/Indicator of filtration efficiency
<b>Inorganic</b> Asbestos	7	7	MFL	2	0-2	No	5/4/00	Decay of asbestos cement water mains
Barium, Dissolved	2	2	ppm	0.0222	0.0224	No	6/4/99	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
Copper	1.3	AL= 1.3	ppm	90% value 0.079	0.0078- 0.092	No	6/13/01- 6/18/01	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservative
Fluoride	4.0	4.0	ppm	0.56	N/A	No	6/4/99	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum
Lead	0.015	AL =	ppm 0.004	90% value	0.004	No	6/13/01 6/18/01	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits
<b>Organic</b> Total Trihalomethanes	0	100	ppb	5.0	0.7-5.0	No	5/4/00	By-product of water chlorination
<b>Radiological</b> Gross Alpha	0.0	15.0	pCi/L	4.9	N/A	No	11/6/00	Erosion of natural deposits
Beta (Total) deposits	0	4.0	mRem/yr	1.0±2.8	N/A	No	6/17/98	Decay of natural and man-made
<b>Unregulated</b> Sulfate	250	N/A	ppm	39.5	39.5	No	6/4/99	Erosion of natural deposits
Radon	N/A	N/A	pCi/L	33.4±10.8	N/A	No	5/8/98	Natural deposits of uranium

Notes: The table shows the latest sample date. TT - Turbidity does not present a risk to your health. We monitor turbidity, because it indicates how well the filtration system works. Radon has proposed limits of 300 to 3000 pCi/L. Our levels are low and would pass these limits.

## Definitions of Key Terms

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal** – The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Parts per billion or Micrograms per liter – One part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single dollar in \$1,000,000,000.

**Action Level** – The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

**Maximum Contaminant Level –** The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Picocuries per liter – Picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Milliroentgens equivalent man per year – Milliroentgens equivalent man per year is an estimated dose of beta radiation to a human

**Treatment Technique** – A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Nephelometric Turbidity Units – A measure of the cloudiness of water.

Parts per million or Milligrams per liter — One part per million corresponds to one minute in two years, or a single dollar in \$1,000,000.

Variances and exemptions – State or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or treatment technique under certain conditions.



## What's happening

### Education

For more details, visit <https://wwwmil.whiteman.af.mil/509mss/educ/homepage.htm>

#### Top 3 offers scholarships

The Whiteman Top 3 is accepting applications through Monday to receive one of three \$300 scholarships grants. Drop off applications at the education center. For more details, call Senior Master Sgt. Anita Berber-James at 687-2050.

#### Teens can earn scholarship money

Teens of active-duty Air Force members can earn money toward a scholarship. The teens must be entering grades nine-12 and can earn \$4 per hour volunteering for positions with the 509th Medical Group, 509th Security Forces Squadron, the civilian personnel office and the 509th Civil Engineer Squadron. For more details, call Debbie Kermick at 687-3196.

### Community

#### Commissary closed July 4

The commissary will be closed July 4 in observance of Independence Day. It reopens 9 a.m July 5. For more details, call 687-5655.

#### Cookie stacking contest scheduled

The commissary hosts a cookie-stacking contest beginning at 11 a.m. July 12. Prizes will be awarded in three age categories. For more details, call 687-5655.

#### Whiteman Tier 2 meeting set

Whiteman Tier 2 hosts a meeting beginning at 2:30 p.m. July 2 at Mission's End. For more details, call Tech. Sgt. Sam Stoecklin at 687-5127.

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#### Self help store hours set

The self help store is open 11 a.m.-6 p.m. weekdays, and 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Saturday. For more details, call Judy Sarrazin at 687-7692.

#### Bowl for kids' sake

The Johnson County Big Brothers/Big Sisters program sponsors a Bowl for Kids' Sake July 11 and 12 at the Central Missouri State University Union Bowling Center in Warrensburg. Proceeds benefit the Big Brothers/Big Sisters mentoring program. Event organizers seek team cap-

tains who are responsible for registering the team, recruiting team members, and selecting a date and bowling time. The team captains are also responsible for handing out pledge envelopes to team members and ensuring each team member tries to raise \$100. Team captains receive a free T-shirt and are registered for the team captain prize.

For more details or to register, call 660-429-1991 or send an e-mail to [bbbsjc@iland.net](mailto:bbbsjc@iland.net).

#### Veterans event set

The Supermarket of Veterans Benefits begins at 9 a.m.-2 p.m. July 19 at the National Guard Armory located in the Missouri State Fair Grounds in Sedalia. This is a free event. For more details, call 866-VET-INFO (838-4636)

### Family Support

Call 687-7132 for details on these events or other family support center activities. Events take place at the FSC.

#### Pre-deployment briefing set

A mandatory pre-deployment briefing for people who are deploying or going on a temporary duty assignment for more than 30 days begins at 1 p.m. Wednesday.

#### WIC representative visits base

A WIC representative is available beginning at 8:30 a.m. Thursday. WIC includes nutrition education, health promotion and a supplemental food program to help women, infants and children who have nutritional needs. For more details, call the WIC office in Warrensburg at 660-747-2012.

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## Outdoor Recreation 687-5565

### Rafting adventure

Travel to Colorado Springs, Colo., for an Airman's getaway weekend July 18-20. This will be a 19-mile trip through the Royal Gorge on the Arkansas River. Cost of \$125 includes rafting, transportation, some meals and lodging. Sign up by July 5. Call for more information.

### Swimming Lessons

Session I — July 7-18 (Mondays and Thursdays)  
Session II — July 21-August 1 (Mondays and Thursdays)  
9-9:45 a.m. and 10-10:45 a.m.  
Fridays are makeup  
Sign up deadline for session I — Thursday  
Sign up deadline for session II — July 16  
Classes are for swimmers 5 years and older.  
Cost is \$20 per person

## Mission's End 687-4422

### Dinner for a buck

Dinner for a buck 6-8 p.m. tonight. Hamburgers, hot dogs, baked beans, potato salad, cole slaw and drink. This is for members only.

### HBO boxing

Gather friends and family to watch Lennox Lewis vs. Kirk Johnson in the world heavyweight championship match on plasma TVs 9 p.m. Saturday in the Lavene Lounge.

### Air Force club member scholarship

Current club members and their dependents attending college in the fall of 2003 are encouraged to submit a 500 word or less essay on Air Force clubs. All entries must be received by July 15. Call for information and entry forms.

## Teen Center 687-5819

### Karaoke talent search

Share your talent and win valuable prizes in the karaoke talent search 8 p.m.-midnight Saturday. The event is free for members and \$1 for nonmembers. Participants can win CDs, VHS movies and visors.

### Movie matinee day

Watch your favorite film, hang out with friends, and enjoy popcorn and a movie 3-8 p.m. Wednesday. The event is free for members and \$1 for nonmembers.

## Stars & Strikes 687-5114

### Steak and bowling special

Enjoy dinner and bowling 6-9 p.m. Fridays. The \$10 cost includes a steak dinner, two games of bowling and rental shoes. The cost is \$8.50 for dinner only.

### Summer youth lessons

Youths ages 18-years-old and younger can enjoy summer bowling lessons 9-10 a.m. July 15-Aug. 19. The \$60 fee includes lessons plus a bowling ball. Sign up by July 8.

## Skills Development Center 687-5691

### Scrapbooking class

Students can learn the art of scrapbooking to preserve photos noon-2 p.m. July 8. The cost of \$10 includes some supplies. Bring in four to six pictures. Sign up by noon July 5.



## Fireworks For Freedom



### Fishing derby

Enjoy a day of fishing at the base lake 8-9:30 a.m. Prizes will be awarded for the longest fish, measurements taken until 9:45 a.m. This is a free event. Sponsored in-part by Bass Pro shops.\*



### Ribbit race

Purchase a frog for \$3 or a whole family of frogs for a discount from the youth center. The event begins at 5 p.m. at the base lake. First place - Orlando family vacation package. Second place - Table Rock Lake getaway. Third place - Lake of the Ozarks getaway. Lots of other great prizes. For more information, call the youth center at 687-5586.



### Bed Race



Gather your teams and join the fun beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the softball field parking lot on Winsor Avenue. Each team must have five participants. Trophies will be awarded to best decorated bed, most outrageous costume, rust spring division and first, second and third place. Participants must be 18 years old or older. Sign up at the community center. Sponsored in-part by Speedway Chevrolet Cadillac.\*

### Skelton Park events 2-10 p.m. July 4

8 a.m. - Golf tournament  
kids fishing derby  
9 a.m. - Two-person volleyball tournament  
2 p.m. - Kids on wheels parade  
2:30 p.m. - Paddle boats  
Bombs on target  
3 p.m. - Dunking booth  
Horseshoe tournament  
Three-legged race  
4 p.m. - Watermelon eating contest  
4:30 p.m. - Watermelon seed spitting contest  
5 p.m. - Ribbit race  
6 p.m. - Egg toss  
7 p.m. - Cherry Bomb band  
Bed parade  
7:30 p.m. - Bed race  
8 p.m. - Three-legged race  
8:30 p.m. - Tug of war  
9:15 p.m. - National anthem  
9:30 p.m. - Fireworks  
**Food & beverage booths are open  
2-10 p.m.**

### Stained glass panel class

Pick a pattern, cut and grind glass, and use the foiling technique to create a stained glass panel 6-9 p.m. Thursday. Cost is \$45 plus supplies.

## Royal Oaks 687-5572

### Course Championship Aug. 9 & 10

Win a two-night luxurious stay at the Thousand Hills Golf Resort in Branson, Mo. This event is open to valid government ID card holders. The winner will continue on to the Air Combat Command Championship Aug. 26-29 at Offutt Air Force Base, Neb. Sponsored in-part by Fowler's Family Autos and Thousand Hills Golf Resort.\*



## Tickets & Travel 687-5643

### Red, white and zoo

Military members and their families will receive free admission to the Kansas City Zoo in Kansas City, Mo., July 4-6. For more information, call Tickets & Travel.

## Family Child Care 687-5590

### Orientation class

There is a need for infant and shift care providers. Receive free certification to become a family child care provider 8 a.m.-4 p.m. July 14-18. Sign up by July 10. Stop by the FCC office and pickup a registration package.

## Community Center 687-5617

### X-treme wheels expo and competition

Skaters of Ollie's Skate Team will provide a free skateboarding exhibition beginning at 1 p.m. June 28 at the skate park. Base certified skaters are welcome to sign up for competitive events to win prizes. Non-certified skaters may contact the community center for certification. Sponsored in-part by Ollie's Skate Shop.\* Sponsored in-part by Ollie's Skate shop.\*

### Whiteman Base Theater

#### Friday

**Daddy Day Care PG 7 p.m.**  
**Starring — Eddie Murphy & Steve Zahn**  
When a father loses his lucrative "dotcom" job, he finds himself in jeopardy of financial ruins. He joins his friends in opening a free-spirited day care.

#### Saturday

**The Matrix Reloaded R 7 p.m.**  
**Starring — Keanu Reeves & Laurence Fishburne**  
Neo, Morpheus, Trinity, and the rest of their crew continue to battle the machines that have enslaved the human race in th Matrix. Now, more humans are waking up out of the matrix and attempting to live in the real world. As their numbers grow, the battle moves to Zion, the last real world city and center of human resistance.

#### Sunday

**The Matrix Reloaded R 5:30 p.m.**

Adults \$3 Youth \$1.50  
Movie recording line 687-5110.  
Movies are subject to change due to availability.